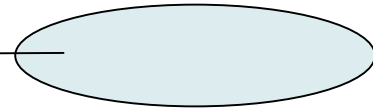


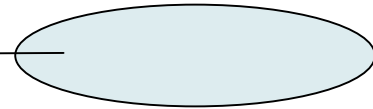
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Activities: Events

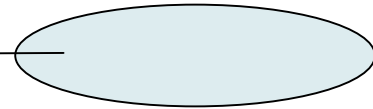
1. CCWESTT Conference	
What It Is:	conference event
Designed to Impact:	policy, workforce, education, informal and formal training, entrepreneurship, leadership
Target Population:	professionals university college trainers community organizations industry government
Mandate:	2010 theme: "Leading the Way: Empowering Women, Building Communities"
Geographical Region Served:	national
Website:	http://www.cctest2010.ca/
Contact Information:	info@cctest2010.ca
Contact Name:	
Timing:	biannual
Area of Specialty:	SETT
Funding Sources:	2010 conference: APEGM Engineers Canada Red River College of Applied Arts, Science & Tech
Other Notes:	May 2010 – Winnipeg May 2008 – Guelph



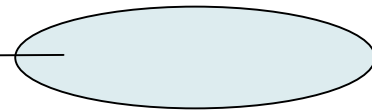
2. Young Women's Conference	
What It Is:	conference event parent organization: Skills Canada Manitoba
Designed to Impact:	education
Target Population:	girls
Mandate:	to provide female role models to young women and to assist them in planning their future career
Geographical Region Served:	Manitoba
Website:	http://www.skillsmanitoba.ca/programs-womens.php?PHPSESSID=uut39jlnmp44869ekmkjsg67v5
Contact Information:	Skills Canada Manitoba 31 - 1313 Border Street Winnipeg, MB R3H 0X4 Phone: (204) 927-0250 Fax: (204) 927-0258 General Email: skillsmb@mts.net
Contact Name:	Lori Royal - Program Director lorir@skillscanada.com
Timing:	various dates in 2009-2010
Area of Specialty:	trades and technology
Funding Sources:	Government of Manitoba
Other Notes:	Young participants meet female mentors working in the trades or technology fields, participate in team-building and hands-on activities, and receive information on employment opportunities and career planning.



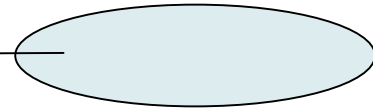
3. Girl Geek Dinners	
What It Is:	networking event
Designed to Impact:	education, workforce, informal and formal training, entrepreneurship, leadership
Target Population:	professionals, university
Mandate:	to connect women in IT for professional support and fun with long-term vision to influence education of girls in developed and developing countries – mandate varies somewhat depending on local chapter
Geographical Region Served:	international Ontario Quebec Saskatchewan Alberta
Website:	http://girlgeekdinners.com/ , http://www.montrealgirlgeekdinners.blogspot.com/ , http://saskatoongirlgeekdinners.wordpress.com/ , http://www.calgarygirlgeekdinners.blogspot.com/ - inactive, http://girlgeekdinnersottawa.com/ , http://girlgeekwinnipeg.wordpress.com/ , http://www.torontogirlgeekdinners.ca/ , http://quebecgirlgeekdinners.com/
Contact Information:	varies depending on chapter
Contact Name:	varies depending on chapter
Timing:	varies depending on chapter
Area of Specialty:	IT
Funding Sources:	some are sponsored by Microsoft (e.g. Winnipeg) or other companies
Other Notes:	



4. A Diverse World Needs Diverse Talents Workshop, Canada 3.0 Digital Media Forum	
What It Is:	event workshop parent organization: Canadian Digital Media Network and Waterloo Stratford Campus, University of Waterloo
Designed to Impact:	policy, workforce, education, informal and formal training, entrepreneurship, leadership
Target Population:	industry professionals academia government
Mandate:	Looked at Canada's future work force challenges, strategies to break access barriers in order to engage girls and Aboriginal youth in the science, technology and digital media jobs of the future.
Geographical Region Served:	national Ontario
Website:	http://www.canada30.ca/program/learning#provocation
Contact Information:	http://www.canada30.ca/contactus
Contact Name:	Dr. Rick Miner, President Emeritus, Seneca Mihaela Ulteru, NSERC Canada Research Chair, Adaptive Information Infrastructures for the eSociety Cara Greyeyes, SK First Nations Schoolnet Program Manager for KCDC Emma Westecott Suzanne de Castell, Simon Fraser University Jennifer Jenson, York University
Timing:	May 10, 2010
Area of Specialty:	digital media
Funding Sources:	Canadian Digital Media Network University of Waterloo
Other Notes:	Presentations available from the web site.



5. Canadian Women in Communications (CWC) Speakers Series	
What It Is:	event parent organization: Information Technology Association of Canada (ITAC)
Designed to Impact:	policy, workforce, education, entrepreneurship, leadership
Target Population:	professionals university
Mandate:	As the national association of Canada's information and communications technology (ICT) industry, ITAC's mission is to promote and enhance the unique contribution ICT can make to Canada's economy and society. The Speakers' Series is designed to introduce distinguished women who have built successful careers in information and communications technology to Canadian women (and men) who are either working in technology or planning careers in technology. The series provides opportunities for students, professionals, and people who may be considering technology as the next step in their career for networking and for learning from inspiring leaders in the industry.
Geographical Region Served:	national
Website:	http://www.itac.ca/index.php?/site/media_details/xerox_chief_technology_officer_kicks-off_speakers_series_for_women_in_techn/
Contact Information:	
Contact Name:	Lynda Leonard - leonard@itac.ca 613) 238-4822 ext. 223 Brendan Glauser Manager of Communications, ITAC (613) 238-4822 ext. 224 Lisa Vanderlip CWC Communications Manager lvanderlip@cw-afc.com (416) 363-1880 ext. 303
Timing:	2010, first one was March 2010
Area of Specialty:	technology
Funding Sources:	ITAC, CWC
Other Notes:	Research Paper by Denise Shortt and Kelly O'Neill (Dec./09) http://www.itac.ca/uploads/pdf/Women_and_ICT.pdf part of a larger initiative to improve gender diversity in the technology industry.



6. Women of Distinction Awards - Science, Technology, Research & Environment / Science & Technology / Science, Technology & Industry Category	
What It Is:	awards event non-profit organization parent organization: YWCA
Designed to Impact:	leadership
Target Population:	women professionals
Mandate:	Recognizes women who through their own initiative, ability and effort, have made an exemplary achievement in their field; women who are outstanding role models because of their goals and the way they have achieved these goals. Categories include contribution to a science related field, including pure and applied sciences, social sciences, engineering and life sciences or toward technological advancement. Contribution may be made through research or application [from the Cambridge description]
Geographical Region Served:	local branches
Website:	varies
Contact Information:	varies
Contact Name:	varies
Timing:	spring / annual event
Area of Specialty:	SETT
Funding Sources:	YWCA
Other Notes:	- not all YWCAs offer this category - see examples: http://www.ywca-toronto.org/women_distinction/nominate.htm http://www.ywca-cambridge.ca/wod.html http://www.ywca-van.org/content/Award%20Categories/394